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METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR MANAGING A CONNECTION POOL USING

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ASSIGNEE NAME: INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS MACHINES CORPORATION ASSIGNEE RESIDENCE: ARMONK, NEW YORK

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18 Pages of Specification and 1 Abstract

5 Sheets of Drawings

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